NPC Committee On Natural Gas

Coordinating Subcommittee
Update

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Scope: Can Supply Meet Growing Demand?

- What's happened since 1992?
 - Evolution of the market
 - Assessment of key assumptions

- What does the future look like?
 - Stipulated demand scenario / influencing factor
 - Supply potential
 - Implications on distribution

Demand

- Stipulated scenarios based on existing model
- Lessons learned from 1992 demand projections
 - Evaluation of influencing factors
 - GDP
 - Environmental requirements
 - Growth from the power sector

NPC Demand Comparison (Quad BTO/Year)

1992 NPC Study				
End Use Sector	1990	Case 1 2010	Actual 1997	Percent Of 2010
Residential	4.5	4.9	5.0	102%
Commercial	2.7	3.5	3.3	94
Industrial	7.0	8.9	8.8	99
Electric Utility	2.9	5.4	3.0	56
Total	17.1	22.7	20.1	89%

Source:
SIMMONS & COMPANY
INTERNATIONAL

Supply

- Validation of 1992 findings
- Capability by region
- External factors Canada, Mexico, LNG
- Access to resource issues
- Influencing factors
 - investment requirements
 - rate of decline
 - technology impact
 - cycle time from access to production

Distribution

- Potential bottlenecks
- Rapidly changing customer requirements
- Infrastructure requirements
- Regulatory impediments

Study Output

- Validation and update of 1992 study
- Identification of challenges from supply, demand, and distribution analysis
- Recommendations for addressing the challenges

Organization: Coordinating Subcommittee

- Claire Farley (Texaco) Chair
- Robert Kripowicz Government Co-chair
- Task Groups

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Supply: Tom Nusz - Burlington Resources

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Services

Time Line

Oct - Nov Develop scope / obtain approval

Oct - Dec Task Groups review 1992 study / prepare

model

Jan - Mar Conduct analyses / review model outputs

Apr - June Prepare report